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Via E-Mail and Overnight Carrier

Mary L. Cottrell, Secretary Department of Telecommunications and Energy Commonwealth of Massachusetts One South Station, 2nd Floor Boston, Massachusetts 02110

Re: Investigation by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy Its Own Motion Pursuant to G.L. c. 159, Sections 12 and 16, Into Verizon New England Inc. d/b/a Verizon Massachusetts' Provision of Special Access Services.

Docket No. D. T. E. 01-34

Dear Secretary Cottrell:

Enclosed herewith for filing please find an original and one (1) copy of the attached Petition of RCN-BECOCOM, LLC, for Leave to Intervene as a Limited Participant in the above captioned proceeding.

Very truly yours,

John J. Jones

Encl osure

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Provision of Special Access Services.)

PETITION OF RCN-BECOCOM, LLC
TO INTERVENE AS LIMITED PARTICIPANT

RCN-BECOCOM, LLC ("RCN" or the "Company"), a limited liability company duly certified to provide telecommunications services in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts (the "Commonwealth") by virtue of its Registration/Statement of Business Operations and tariff filed in January 1997, hereby petitions, pursuant to 220 C.M.R. Sec. 1.03, to intervene as a limited participant in the above-referenced docket.

In support of this Petition, RCN respectfully submits the following:

1. RCN will be directly affected by the outcome of this proceeding. The Company

provides telecommunications services in the Commonwealth as a competitive telecommunications carrier. RCN provides service by combining its own facilities with service and facilities obtained from Verizon-Massachusetts.

2. RCN seeks to intervene as a "limited participant" as that term has been defined by the Department of Telecommunications and Energy ("Department"), rather than as a full intervenor(1). Although the Company wishes to remain informed as to the status of the proceeding and reserves its right to file briefs, RCN cannot devote the resources necessary to participate actively in the adjudicatory phase of this docket.

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1 See, e.g., Hearing Officer Ruling in D.T.E. 98-57, Phase III at 4 (dated July 11, 2000) (stating that a "limited participant" has a right to receive copies of filings and orders, attend conferences and hearings and file briefs, but no right to participate in Discovery or appeal Department rulings).